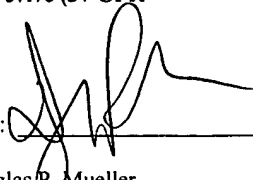


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) UNKNOWN 107539666
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/002165	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 25 FEBRUARY 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 25 FEBRUARY 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING CARRIER			
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Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:			
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, Form 1449, 4 references.			
12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.			
13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.			
14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.			
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.			
16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Application Data Sheet (5 pages), Change of Address, Communication Under 37 CFR 1.32(c)(3), International Publication Page of WO 2004/077424 A1, Form PCT/ISA/210, Communication re: Figure Publication, Form PCT/IB/308.			

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In connection with the above-identified application, applicant respectfully requests that Figure 1 be printed on the front page of the published application.

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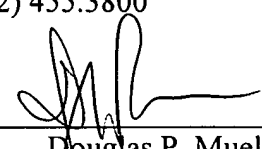
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